

Exhibit No. 29
Date: 3/29/15
Bill No. HB477

Vote NO on HB 477

Thank you Chairman sales for the opportunity to testify against HB477.

1. HB 477 is impossible to enforce and interpret. It requires juries to interpret the intent of physicians and requires lawyers and lay people to make judgments about medical issues in which they have no expertise.
2. HB 477 would undo the rights afforded under the Baxter Decision. It would deny a patient's rights to autonomy, violate their privacy, and offend their dignity.
3. HB 477 would impose the ideology of the religious right on all Montanans. People have the constitutional right to practice their religion. However, they don't have the right to impose their religious beliefs on me.
4. HB 477 would deny my right to death with dignity.
5. Government should not interfere with a patient's right to make their end-of-life decisions. Terminally ill patients should have a full range of end-of-life options, including the right to obtain life-ending medication.
6. I strongly urge a NO vote on HB 477.

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